



MILWAUKEE NUMISMATIC NEWS

March 2015 – Our next regular meeting will be held Thursday, Mar. 19, 7 PM at Mayfair Mall community room, lower level. Our MNS Boy Scout Coin Collecting Merit Badge Clinic will be held on Saturday morning Mar. 21, Clinic volunteers should be on hand at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 6401 S. 13th St. at 7 AM.

The Milwaukee Numismatic Society, founded in 1934, is the oldest and largest organization in Milwaukee devoted to the study of money. Meetings are held at 7:00 PM on the third Thursday of each month in the Community Room on the lower level of Mayfair Mall (W. North Avenue at N. Mayfair Road).

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March Coin of the Month: For March, we have a 1940-S Mercury Dime in MS-63 condition, PCGS graded and certified, from lot 2716 of the Sept. 25-27, 1988 Superior Galleries auction of the Lee collection and Peter L. Shaffer collection. Charming coin with a documented pedigree. Bidding will start at just \$10 for this choice example.



March 2015 MNS President's Message

As I write this the winter seems to drag on, given the surge of snowfall we have again been blanketed with and the frigid temperatures that continue to grip us. With longer days in sight and the onset of Daylight Savings Time this week-end, I am sure that nicer weather will greet us soon enough.

The South Shore Coin Club's show is coming up on March 19-21. This brings the MNS Boy Scout Coin Collecting Merit Badge Clinic, which will be our 35th annual clinic. We are always in need of volunteers to check-in the Scouts, grade tests, and keep the process running smoothly. Thanks to all those who have already signed up. We still have one meeting prior to the Clinic, so contact myself or Leon if you can assist. Otherwise, just show up and we will be sure to find you a task. I do not know how many Scouts signed up this year, but I am sure it will be another full house. If you are a volunteer, please be at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 6401 S. 13th Street, by 7:00 AM so that we can get organized.

At the last Club meeting the members approved the expense of renting a thirty-three passenger coach bus for the day of Friday, April 24th so that those interested can attend the Central States Coin Show. As we have done with the ANA World's Fair of Money in the past, the bus will be leaving from the College Avenue southwest Park & Ride lot at 8:00 AM that morning, and you will have a full day to browse the bourse and attend the many educational lectures available. The trip cost is covered by the Club for all dues paying members, and will run \$10 for any other guests or non-members. A sign-up list will be at the next meeting so we can have an accurate count, or please give me a call or e-mail.

The CSNS educational seminar set for May 23rd is still just over the horizon. At last count, they only have a total of eleven people registered to attend. This is rather disheartening news, and I can only hope that many more will register very soon. Ray L. really needs an accurate count in order to determine how much food and other supplies are necessary. For what you get out of this seminar the nominal cost really cannot be beat, and none of the local MNS members have far to drive to the seminar hotel so we cannot use that as an excuse. I hope to see many of our members in attendance.

Whatever you do or did on March 17th, I hope that this St. Patrick's Day will bring you luck in life and your collecting.

Happy Collecting,
Justin J. Perrault
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A note from Tom Casper: Bob's Coins, formerly on Becher St. has moved to a new location. Bob's Coins & Hobbies is now located at 3050 S. 92nd St. in West Allis. The store is open but they are still unpacking. The new store is larger than the previous location. Bob Korosec is a long-time MNS member and we wish him well in his new location.

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Schedule

Monthly meetings in 2015 are held at 7:00 pm on the 3rd Thursday of each month in the Community Meeting Room in the lower level of Mayfair Mall. Visitors interested in numismatics are welcome.

Monthly meeting programs

Jan 15:	Officer Inductions; Photograting Flying Eagle & Indian Cents by Darrell L.
Feb 19:	Outdated/Low Value Book Dispersal
March 19:	Open
April 16:	Open
May 21:	Open
June 18:	Spring Auction
July 16:	Open
Aug 20:	Open
Sept 17:	Open
Oct 15:	Open
Nov 19:	Autumn Auction
Dec 17:	Holiday Party; Officer Elections

Annual Dues

Dues for 2015 are \$10. Please pay at the next meeting, or they may be mailed to MNS, PO Box 241174, Milwaukee, WI 53224. Thanks to those who have paid.

PLEASE NOTE:

MNS is a volunteer organization. We always need new and interesting programs, activities, helpers to work at events, and someone to bring refreshments for the meetings. We are also looking for ideas for club outings. MNS will reimburse refreshment expenses up to \$50. To volunteer, please contact Pres. Justin Perrault at 262.785.7663 or VP Jim Heinrich at 262.796.1814. Thanks to everyone who has stepped up by volunteering their time and talent to make this club a success.

2015 Numismatic Events

March 19-21	South Shore CC Show, Crowne Plaza Hotel, 6401 S. 13 th St, Milw.
March 21	MNS Boy Scout Coin Collecting Merit Badge Clinic, Crowne Plaza Hotel, 7 AM
April 9-12	Chicago Int'l Coin Fair (CICF) Crown Plaza Chicago O'Hare Rosemont, IL
April 24	MNS Sponsored Bus Trip to CSNS Convention
April 22-25	CSNS Annual Show, Schaumburg, IL
May 15-16	NOW/WI Valley CC Show, Old Car Show Activity Bldg, 700 E. State St. Iola, WI
May 23	CSNS Educational Seminar at Milw. Clarion Airport Hotel (8 AM-4 PM)
Aug. 11-15	ANA World's Fair of Money Stephens Convention Ctr, Rosemont, IL
October 4	MNS Annual Coin Show Serb Hall – 5101 W. Oklahoma Ave 9 AM-4 PM
Mar 31- Apr 2, 2016	MNS/SSCC sponsored NOW show

Refreshment Schedule

Jan:	Dave Herrewig
Feb:	Don Kaminski
Mar:	Dave H.
Apr:	Open
May:	Stu C.
Jun:	Open
Jul:	Open
Aug:	Open
Sep:	Open
Oct:	Open
Nov:	Leon A.
Dec:	Holiday Party

Milwaukee Numismatic Society

Minutes

February 19, 2015

President Justin Perrault called the 955th meeting of the MNS to order at 7:03. In spite of bitter cold weather there were 21 members in attendance. The president led the club in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Door prizes were won by: Ed Fyrnys, Jim Heinrich, Howard Thorpe, Don Kaminski, Tom Casper, David Herrewig, Don Carrion, Jeff Gaffke, Gary Bieringer, Tom Dallmann, Tom Ralston, Stu Caddell, Dave Hunsicker and Tom Panfil.

The MNS minutes of the January 15, 2015 meeting were approved unanimously.

The following incoming officers were sworn into office:

Justin Perrault	President
Jim Heinrich	Vice President
Jeff Gaffke	Sergeant-at-Arms
Tom Dallmann	Trustee '15-'17

Don Carrion was the winning bidder on the Coin-of-the-Month, a 49 cent roll of the 2009 Lincoln Bicentennial "Formative Years". His winning bid was \$4.50.

Justin gave the Treasurer's Report. For the month of January, there were receipts totaling \$208.00 from membership dues and December's Coin-of-the-Month. Disbursements totaled \$1,235.58 mainly from the Newsletter (\$805.33) and the Christmas Party (\$326.25). There was a transfer from savings of \$700.00 into the checking account. The net cash flow in the operating checking account for January was a negative \$(327.58).

Leon is still looking for volunteers for the MNS Boy Scout Coin Collecting Merit Badge Clinic held in conjunction with the South Shore CC Show. The date is March 21 and it is being held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. We will need test graders and other helpers. Please contact Leon if you can help out. He can be contacted at (414) 282-1919 or LASaryan@aol.com.

Tom Casper reminded the club of some upcoming coin shows. March 8 the Waukesha Coin Club has their show at the New Berlin Ale House. On March 19-21 the South Shore CC has their show at the Crowne Plaza Hotel on S. 13th Street. (Be sure to check out the 2015 Numismatic Events schedule in our newsletter).

Leon said that he would extend the due date for entry into the MNS Fantasy Numismatics until March 21. Please contact Leon with your selections.

The membership voted unanimously to accept Andrew Klabunde as a new member.

The Central States Paper Money Seminar will be held on May 23 at the Clarion Hotel Airport. Numerous great speakers will be there. Cost for Central States members is \$20 – non-member \$30. Please mail registrations by May 12 to Ray Lockwood, 2075 E. Bocock Road, Marion, IN 46952-8799.

Some old books (mostly references for beginning collectors) and magazines from the MNS library were available for the taking. We are no longer able to store our materials at Mayfair Mall and consequently we purged some of the materials maintained in our library.

The membership approved reserving a coach bus through Riteway to attend the Central States show in Schaumburg on Friday, April 24. You will be able to pick up the bus at 8 am at the College Avenue Park & Ride. There will be no cost for members and costs for guests will be determined later.

For Show and Tell, Leon brought "4 Armenian Modern Errors". He had three die cud errors and a "fried egg" error which occurs on bi-metallic coins where there is a gap between metals. Bruce Bartelt brought in a tape measure from the 1901 Pan American Expo that he got from a family member. He felt the need to get something numismatic also from that Expo, so he picked up a medalet at the Central States show. Bob Mathieu shared an 1890 Kuang Tang Province 7.2 Candareens coin and an unknown 1890 Chinese coin.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Jim Heinrich.



Induction of 2015 MNS officers on February 19, led by member Dave Hunsicker (right). From left, Jeff Gaffke (Sergeant-at-Arms), Justin Perrault (President) Jim Heinrich (VP), and Tom Dallmann (3-year trustee).



Armenia Issues Coin for 1915 Genocide Centennial

The Central Bank of the Republic of Armenia has just issued a 100-dram denominated silver coin dedicated to the centennial of the 1915 Genocide of the Armenian people, according to an announcement from the bank dated February 27. The new coin (not a medal) depicts a collage of several memorial monuments that have been erected around the world.

Without doubt, this coin ranks as one of the most historically significant numismatic releases of 2015. The Armenian Genocide was planned and executed by the government of Ottoman Turkey, under the cover of World War I. When it was over, 1.5 million Armenians living in Turkey, as well as hundreds of thousands of Greeks and Assyrians, had been exterminated through massacre, forced deportation, starvation and disease.

The obverse gives the denomination “100 dram” and legends “Armenian Genocide” and (bilingually) “Republic of Armenia.” The memorials depicted on the obverse include the Monument to the Grieving Mother (Izhevsk, Russia), the Monument to the Composer Komitas (Paris), cross-stone monuments at Holy Etchmiadzin, Armenia, and Glendale, California, and the pylons of the Tsitsernakaberd Memorial Complex, situated on a hill overlooking Yerevan, Armenia’s capital.

The reverse presents additional monuments, including a statue of Armenian resistance fighters (Ujan, Armenia), an eagle from a monument in Aleppo (Syria), a portion of a memorial plaque depicting an Armenian woman (Sao Paulo), a cross-stone monument (Antwerp), and the pylons and spire at Tsitsernakaberd with inscriptions “Genocide of Armenians” (in Armenian) and “1915-2015.”

Viewed side by side, the obverse and reverse form the complete monument of the Tsitsernakaberd Complex. The stark design and finish on this coin convey the somber aspect of this tragedy.

The new coin has a diameter of 50 mm, weighs 67.2 grams of 925 fine silver, and is struck in antique finish with a plain edge. It was designed by artists Souren Simonyan and Aram Ouroutyan. The mintage of 1000 coins was produced under contract for the Central Bank of Armenia by the Lithuanian Mint.—*L. A. Saryan*

CENTRAL STATES NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

~PAPER MONEY SEMINAR~

DATE: SATURDAY, MAY 23, 2015

TIME: 8 AM - 4 PM

LOCATION: Clarion Hotel Airport
5311 S. Howell Ave.
Milwaukee, WI. 53207

COST: CENTRAL STATES MEMBERS - \$20.00
NON - CENTRAL STATES MEMBERS - \$30.00

(\$15.00 CAN BE APPLIED TO A ONE-YEAR
CENTRAL STATES MEMBERSHIP)
BREAKFAST & LUNCH INCLUDED

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REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email _____

Phone () _____

CSNS member - \$20 _____

Non-Member - \$30 _____

Apply for membership? _____

DEADLINE: MAY 12, 2015

Make checks payable to CSNS and mail to:

Ray Lockwood
Box 93

Marion, IN 46952
(765-664-6520)

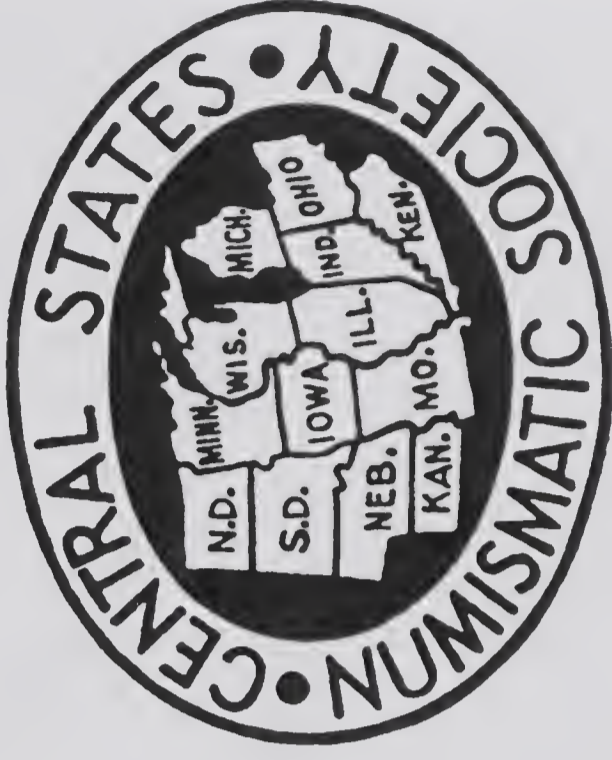
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CSNS spring seminar to focus on paper money

The Central States Numismatic Society is teaming up with three Wisconsin coin clubs to put on a daylong paper money seminar May 23. Presentations will cover topics ranging from pre-Civil War bank notes to world paper money.

The seminar, the first of two Central States seminars planned for 2015, is co-sponsored by the Milwaukee Numismatic Society, the South Shore Coin Club and the Midwest chapter of the International Banknote Society. It will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Clarion Hotel Airport, 5311 S. Howell Ave., Milwaukee, WI.

CSNS Education Director Ray Lockwood said the speakers and their topics are:

Bill Brandimore: Small Size \$1 & \$2 Bills

Brandimore, a past Central States president and Bank Note Reporter columnist and price guide analyst, will discuss low-denomination, small-size paper money.

He said, "I will be discussing small size \$1 bills of the 1928 through 1957 silver certificate issues and the \$2 legal tender bills of the 1928 through 1963 issues. Explaining the mule phenomena and emphasizing star note issues will allow collectors to look for scarce items they might not have been aware of previously."

Peter Huntoon: Wisconsin National Bank Notes

Huntoon, a noted author and expert in the field of national bank notes, is known for going beyond catalog listings to telling the engrossing tales behind the bills. His presentation is tailored for the Wisconsin audience.

He said, "There is a richness and depth to Wisconsin national bank notes that goes well beyond the simple challenge of attempting to collect one from every issuing town or bank in the state.

"The corporate history of The First National Bank of Milwaukee is about as convoluted as it can get;

and even though notes from this bank are considered dirt common, some of its issues are flaming rarities as a result."

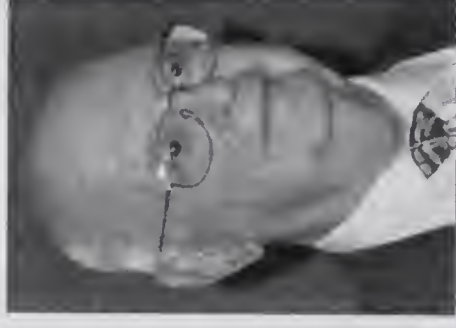
"Wisconsin has the distinction of having hosted the smallest national bank note issue of any bank in the country.

"The population of Mineral Point was larger than that of Chicago and Milwaukee combined in the 1830s, and decades later the banker there ruined the local economy by operating a Ponzi scheme with his depositors' money that rivaled the best of them."

As with each of his previous CSNS state presentations, Huntoon said he will bring a slew of scans of Bureau of Engraving and Printing proofs from the National Numismatic Collection for banks from all over Wisconsin for which no notes are reported. "These alone," he said, "are worth the price of admission."

Neil Shafer: Commemorative Paper Money of the World

Shafer, a numismatic Hall of Fame paper money writer and researcher, said, "There are many events and personalities of great historical value, and their stories are brought to light through special notes prepared in their honor. I will show and discuss some of those that I feel have had the most influence on the world scene. Also, this area has been one of my favorites for a long time, and I glad to be able to share some of my own enthusiasm about them with others who may also find them of interest."



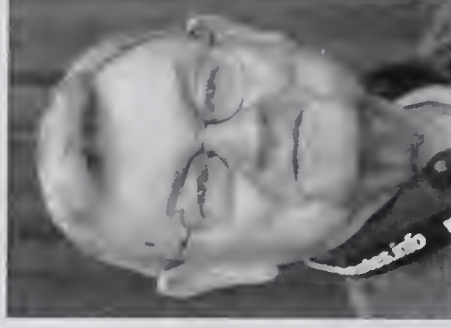
Shafer

Wendell Wolka: Antebellum Badger Banking

Wolka, a paper money collector and educator for more than 40 years, said, "The presentation will explore the origins of banking in Wisconsin and follow the course of events that unfolded, culminating in the significant dislocations to the state's banks due to the instability of the nation's credit markets during the early stages of the Civil War. Images of many extremely rare Wisconsin issues will be shown to illustrate the presentation and extensive use of contemporary sources will augment the narrative."

Registration is \$20 for Central States members and \$30 for non-members, with \$15 going toward a one-year CSNS membership. Registration deadline is May 12.

The fall seminar is scheduled for Sept. 12 in Indianapolis. For more information, contact Lockwood at sunrayofmarion@aol.com



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